



“Humans encounter what Max Scheler calls, “the experience of life’s directedness toward death” Because we can contemplate our own death, its shadow darkens our path even as we live.”

Theology and the Community of God, Stanley Grenz, 749.

“The irony of man’s condition is that the deepest need is to be free of the anxiety of death and annihilation; but it is life itself which awakens it, and so we must shrink from being fully alive.

The Denial of Death, Ernest Becker 66.

Psalms 89:48

Who can live and not see death,
or who can escape the power of the grave?

Death is ultimately understandable only in the light of God's purpose as revealed in Jesus Christ.

Theology and the Community of God, Stanley Grenz, 749.

2 Timothy 1:9-10

⁹ He has saved us and called us to a holy life—not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time, ¹⁰ but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior, Christ Jesus, who has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Faith

Taking God at His word and living accordingly

The eye provides proof of physical order.

Faith is the organ that enables a person to see the invisible order.



You Weed and Seed



Isaiah 25:1-9

Lord, you are my God;

I will exalt you and praise your name,
for in perfect faithfulness
you have done wonderful things,
things planned long ago.

² You have made the city a heap of rubble,
the fortified town a ruin,
the foreigners' stronghold a city no more;
it will never be rebuilt.

³ Therefore strong peoples will honor you;
cities of ruthless nations will revere you.

Isaiah 25:1-9

⁴ You have been a refuge for the poor,
a refuge for the needy in their distress,
a shelter from the storm
and a shade from the heat.

For the breath of the ruthless
is like a storm driving against a wall

⁵ and like the heat of the desert.

You silence the uproar of foreigners;
as heat is reduced by the shadow of a cloud,
so the song of the ruthless is stilled.

Isaiah 25:1-9

⁶ On this mountain the Lord Almighty will prepare
a feast of rich food for all peoples,
a banquet of aged wine—
the best of meats and the finest of wines.

⁷ On this mountain he will destroy
the shroud that enfolds all peoples,
the sheet that covers all nations;

⁸ he will swallow up death forever.

The Sovereign Lord will wipe away the tears

from all faces;

he will remove his people's disgrace

from all the earth.

The Lord has spoken.

Isaiah 25:1-9

⁹ In that day they will say,

“Surely this is our God;

we trusted in him, and he saved us.

This is the Lord, we trusted in him;

let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation.”